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The Editor's Page

The N.A.D. Exhibit

It has taken a long time for THE SILENT WORKER to show a picture of the N.A.D. exhibit at the California State Fair in Sacramento last summer, which won an award designating it as the outstanding educational exhibit at the Fair. Lack of space and importance of other material have made it necessary to hold out this picture, but this month you will find it on the cover.

This picture shows but a corner of the exhibit — the corner occupied by Rene Epding, N.A.D. Office Manager. Three of the posters were contributed by the California Association of the Deaf, which helped with the exhibit. They are the ones entitled, "The Deaf of California." The other posters on the walls, and fourteen others not seen in this picture, were part of the N.A.D.'s own exhibit. The panels in the foreground were prepared by the California Department of Education, department of special schools. The exhibit also included posters from the California Schools for the Deaf at Berkeley and Riverside, which were equally attractive but out of range of the camera.

Plans are being made to send most of the material from this exhibit to the N.A.D. convention in Cincinnati in July so the members there can see it.

Rehabilitation

There are many people who have the impression that an office of vocational rehabilitation is a place where an unemployed workman can find a job, and if they go there looking for a job and fail to find one readily available they condemn the rehabilitation officers as a gang of politicians and class them among the people we could do without. If a rehabilitation man does hustle out and land a job for them, they settle down to work, neglect to thank the man who helped them, and resume their enjoyment of life. In either case, they are completely unaware of the innumerable services rendered by the rehabilitation office.

While the Federal Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, and the offices in the various states, are engaged in efforts to rehabilitate all kinds of handicapped persons who need help, we are interested especially in what it does for the deaf, and for information on that angle we recommend the article by Boyce R. Williams on page 5 of this issue. Of even greater importance than the actual training and placement of workmen is the work the Rehabilitation Office is doing in the way of publicizing the capabilities of the deaf.

"Dissemination of correct information about deaf employes among . . . people . . . who can use such material to the advantage of all deaf persons," says Mr. Williams, "is clearly our major responsibility." He then describes some of the measures his Office has taken to distribute this information. It has distributed quantities of literature about deaf workmen, and it has made direct contact with innumerable employers in an effort to educate them as to the truth about deaf workmen. It has helped the deaf in civil service examinations, both by making the examinations understandable to them and in having the examinations revised so that they more accurately reveal the true capabilities of deaf applicants. It has secured revisions in laws which have expanded the range of jobs open to deaf persons.

In addition to the publicity material distributed by the Federal Office, THE SILENT WORKER has received numerous papers and pamphlets published by different state offices of vocational rehabilitation, which feature deaf employees as well as others. They are well printed and illustrated with halftone photographs, and there is no doubt that they have impressed many an employer as to the worth of deaf workmen.

There is no agency other than the Office of Rehabilitation and the N.A.D. doing so much to eradicate discrimination against deaf employees, and it is undoubtedly due to such efforts that we hear less and less about "discrimination." As Mr. Williams has implied, what many of us have been inclined to call discrimination is nothing but a "lack of correct information" among employers. Educate these people as to the capabilities of the deaf and there will be no such thing as discrimination in itself. That is what the rehabilitation offices are trying to do, and that is what the N.A.D. has been trying to do. Let us all help in these efforts, for the greater good of all the deaf.

Educators Invited

As noted on the N.A.D. page of this issue, the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf meets in Hartford, Connecticut, the week before the N.A.D. convenes in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Here is an opportunity for educators to take in two conventions at comparatively little extra cost, and it is hoped that many will do so. Deaf teachers no doubt will stop off in Cincinnati after the Hartford convention, but hearing teachers, superintendents, and principals also are invited.

Aside from deaf teachers, most of our educators have little contact with the adult deaf outside the immediate vicinities of their different schools, and they are seldom seen at N.A.D. conventions. Here is an opportunity for them to mingle with a large cross-section of the adult deaf and it is to be hoped that they will do so. A cordial welcome awaits them.

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Jonah E. Evans and his huskies.

JONAH EPHRIAM EVANS . . . *A Modern Deaf Pioneer*

By Albert Berke

JONAH EPHRIAM EVANS is a deaf man whom we can really class as a kind of "pioneer." He was born in Sioux City, Iowa, 49 years ago. He lived there two years, then moved to North Wisconsin with his parents. When he was barely three years old, he lost his hearing from a vicious double attack of scarlet fever. For several years, his parents made no attempt to send him to a school for the deaf, but tried their best to teach him themselves. When he was 10 years old, it seems that they realized they would get nowhere trying to teach him themselves, so they sent him to the Wisconsin School for the Deaf at Delavan. He left in 1923, after completing only the first two years of high school. During his stay there, he gained a reputation as a good wrestler (175-pound class) and as a good basketball player.

Upon leaving school, he decided to become a farmer, and did his best toward becoming a prosperous one. He worked at farming from 1924 to 1936, but his income was pitifully small, so he finally became thoroughly fed up with farming. After hearing a neighbor discuss Alaska as "America's Last Frontier" and "a place to make money," he decided to test his standing with Lady Fortune and go to Alaska to see how he might make out.

It was a cold night when he arrived at Fairbanks, Alaska; bitterly cold, a biting chill wind howled and roared down the sloppy, mud-covered streets of the small town; whined and wailed between lopsided houses and unpainted horrors masquerading as living quarters. He had a bare three dollars in his pocket — the trip to Alaska had eaten up his paltry savings like a greedy monster. He had to eat, so he sludged through the sucking, clinging, freezing-cold mud of the street, looking around hopefully for a place to eat. And at last he found an eating-house, a small cafe

tucked away between groaning monstrosities posing as buildings.

One inside, he felt somewhat better. Warmth permeated his frozen skin, brought new life to his weary, cold frame. He sat on a stool in front of a bar, and looked desolately around himself. He ordered a sandwich and a cup of steaming coffee.

The price for the two items was a dollar. He took out three one-dollar bills, placed one on the counter, looked at the other two, and said to himself: "They're the last I have."

A man sat beside him. He asked, "Do you want a job?"

Evans was forced to reveal his deafness, but after some conversation, spoken and written, he agreed to the job the man proposed. He was to help a construction company make sidewalks and sewers.

The next day, he reported for work.

He didn't expect to make much — the highest wages he had earned for work back home had rarely exceeded 30c an hour. For the entire day, a good ten hours, he worked and sweated and still worked. When the sun rested low on the Alaskan horizon, casting shimmering webs of color across the sky, Evans got a tremendous surprise. For ten hours of work, he received eleven dollars. He had received \$1.10 an hour, a wage incredibly far above salaries at home. Feeling much better, he set about the business of making himself at home in Alaska.

As the years rolled by, he got a job with the Alaska Road Commission, helping biting clouds of icy snow and thundering road-making machines. He helped push back the Alaskan frontiers for civilized man in his gas-hungry cars. He opened much of Alaska for something which can only be termed as "Di-

Evans and his first moose.





The Evans cabin in Alaska.

rect civilization-to-wilderness colonization."

During the winters, when snows piled incredibly high and fierce gales howled and roared across the white land, driving biting clouds of icy snow and stinging sleet before them with appalling velocity, thundering and roaring through sturdy, white-cloaked groves of trees, Evans trudged across the bleak and barren land, tending a string of traps. Day after day after cold, dark day, he plodded along his trapping line, the bitter wind whipping past his face, the driving, stinging snow encrusting his beard and eye-brows, the chill air hitting his lungs with blasts of searing cold as he breathed, the shifting snow crunching treacherously under his snowshoes.

It was fun for him, however, and it was profitable. The snow-swept wilderness of the Alaskan winter was one of his elements, and in the average fur-trapping season, he made a good \$1,200.

And still the years passed. Summers, he worked for the Commission; winters he went out into the white wilderness which was hostile to all men, which would kill any man without mercy or compunction.

During the moose-hunting season, when the advancing winter snows lay in glaring patches on the ground, Evans rejoiced in taking a gun and going out into the wilderness. His first moose, which gave him a few unpleasant moments, had an antler-span of 54 inches, and weighed a staggering 960 pounds, a huge mass of tender venison which the snows of winter preserved, a mountain of meat which lasted him from October to early spring. Not too long ago, he got a giant of a moose with an antler-span of 66½ inches, a bare ten inches shorter than the world's record, 76 1/3 inches.

During one violent Alaskan winter, he traveled several miles across a bleak white, storm-lashed area with a sled

and seven Alaskan huskies in a terrible chill of fifty-eight degrees below zero. Mile after mile he left behind, and mile upon mile loomed ahead, appearing out of a whirling chaos of white, whipping snow to disappear into a brooding darkness squatting angrily on a distant horizon obscured by violently writhing, lashing snow clouds.

Today, he owns a huge hunting cabin, and it would be no exaggeration to call it one of the best in Alaska, not only because of it, itself, but because of its advantageous location, which happens to be so situated that a hunter can find a maximum number of many and varied species of game with a minimum amount of foraging from the cabin. Many times, Evans spends the long, dark Alaskan winter in the cabin, trapping animals for food (he gave up fur trapping in 1949 because the prices on fur had been plunging steadily and then were very low) and for decorative pelts every once in a while.

He also spends the moose hunting season up at his cabin, and sometimes, when he can find the freedom, he spends

the mountain sheep season at his cabin. Every once in a while, he stays a week or two at the cabin during summer, watching the Alaskan summer sun shining 24 hours a day, and never setting for three long months.

Evans had a particularly admirable trick which not many men can duplicate, a trick which he gleaned from years and years of hunting, many years of close contact with nature, many years of expert woodsmanship and hunting crafts. When he wants a moose, all he does is to sit beside his cabin, rifle across his knees. He cups his hands, puts them to his mouth, and gives an excellent imitation of a moose call. Many times, when he does this, a moose comes up to within fifty paces of him, and all he has to do is to raise his rifle and fire, not having to venture more than a hundred paces from his cabin. Still, he does not utilize this trick all the time, as some of the joys in hunting come from stalking your quarry; closing in for the kill.

He also owns a neat little home in Fairbanks which he built in his spare time. He owns a moderate-sized house in Big Delta, Alaska; and rents it to a tenant. He also has seven cabins, not too big — about the size of a small cottage — which he rents out during the summers.

He has been working for the Alaska Road Commission since 1939, and expects to retire soon. The income he gets from renting his cabins plus what he already has in the bank is more than enough to carry him through the rest of his life. He has completed 15 years of service; and when he retires, he will settle down and do some gold mining in several places, as he owns a few small mines.

Sketchy as this biography may be, it gives one an idea of what one deaf man has accomplished. We can truly say that he is a deaf pioneer living in modern times.

Mountain sheep killed by Evans.



Economic Independence for All

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BOYCE R. WILLIAMS

ORIGINALLY OUR ASSIGNED topic was "Economic Discrimination Against the Deaf." It was with some misgiving that we advised the Editor that we would prepare a paper on this subject for THE SILENT WORKER special issue. Discrimination is a word of negative connotation. Economic covers many more aspects of life than jobs, which have been our main interest. We were acutely aware that we would be hard put to to round up convincing evidence of economic discrimination against the deaf. The whole span of our seventeen years of professional experience in guidance

and placement work with deaf people has been a period of unprecedented development of the American economy. We have repeatedly been faced with the problem of finding more deaf applicants with the proper qualifications for a given employer who has had favorable experience with deaf employees. Seldom have we encountered important evidence of discrimination against deaf job applicants. Never in our experience has it failed to yield to persuasive measures. Finally, economic problems that deaf people face in life situations outside of the area of employment do not conform to clearcut patterns that we are well enough informed about to discuss readily.

With the foregoing introductory remarks, the reader can readily appreciate our satisfaction to find in an advance copy of Dr. Ben Schowe's, "The Industrial Potential of the Deaf," (see THE SILENT WORKER for October, 1954.—Ed.), that he has in his customary penetrating manner placed the problem of employment discrimination in its proper perspective. He has pointed out that discrimination actually implies purposeful action and thinking. These characteristics of discrimination definitely do not match the inaction and lack of thinking that deaf job applicants experience when their quests for jobs are fruitless. Wherever deaf job seekers face resistance in establishments that have vacancies which deaf people may well fill, the reason is to be found in lack of correct information among interviewing, appointing, and supervisory officials. In brief, Dr. Schowe has identified the employment office as the major hurdle for a deaf applicant and focused our attention upon the need for disseminating correct information here, where it will do the most good, about the satisfactory employment qualities of properly trained and placed deaf persons.

Dissemination of correct information about deaf employees among professional guidance people and personnel and supervisory workers who can use such material to the advantage of all deaf persons is clearly our major responsibility. When the facts are known, understanding and acceptance inevitably follow. Widespread public education is the obvious means to dispel the ignorance which is the source of whatever degrees of resistance deaf people may encounter in applying for jobs they are qualified to fill.

Dr. Schowe has written some nice words about the work which the Office

of Vocational Rehabilitation is doing to increase public understanding about deaf workers. We appreciate his generous statements. It is only proper to point out that much of our work in this line has been conditioned by the availability of useful articles from his facile pen. We have distributed to Federal appointing officers, other personnel workers in and out of Government, and placement and guidance workers in rehabilitation and other programs well over 50,000 pieces of literature about deaf workers. The reprints of at least three distinct articles have made up this total. They have emphasized the range of employability of deaf people, their safety, simple techniques for job education including demonstration and induction, the undesirability of segregation, the desirability of starting with only one deaf employee, and the possible sensitiveness of some deaf people to noise.

Despite this admittedly large distribution of useful material, we recognize that our work is by no means done. The challenge of public education is continuous. This is especially true regarding deaf people since there are so very few of us relatively. There is a steady flow of new personnel workers in all areas of public and private employment who are uninformed about deaf workers. We must bring to them again and again the facts about the versatility and safety of the deaf employee. We also must be concerned about aspects of hiring practices and rules and regulations which need careful scrutiny to insure that equality of opportunity exists for the deaf person. Equality of job opportunity must exist for the marginal and sub-marginal deaf person, too. In our remaining space we shall tell you briefly about this work.

Before doing so, however, we should

This article was originally submitted by Mr. Williams for the October, Special Issue, of THE SILENT WORKER. It was found in making up that issue that more material had been received than could be used and, after much thought and study by the editors, it was decided to include this one among several which had to be left out—a decision we regretted.

Becoming totally deaf at the age of 17, Mr. Williams completed high school in Racine, Wisconsin, where he was born, and then attended the Wisconsin School for the Deaf for four months. He graduated from Gallaudet College in 1932 and attended Marquette University three summers, specializing in education. He later attended Columbia University, where he received the Master of Arts degree in 1940, majoring in education of the deaf.

He taught in the Wisconsin School and in the Indiana School for the Deaf, and from 1937 to 1945 he was Vocational Training Director in the latter school. He left the Indiana School to become specialist for the deaf and the hard of hearing in the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation of Indiana, but after but two months in the office, he was appointed to his present position in the Federal Office. He lives in his own home in the outskirts of Washington with his wife and three sons. Mrs. Williams was the former Hilda Tillinghast, member of a noted family of teachers of the deaf during the past four generations.

Mr. Williams is a member of the Board of Directors of Gallaudet College, past president of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association, and a member of the Executive Board of the National Association of the Deaf.

like to make some personal observations and deductions about certain characteristics of the resistance or indifference that deaf job seekers report from time to time. We have investigated enough of these reports to form what we believe to be a fair picture.

Assuming that the employer needs workers in jobs in which the deaf applicant is skilled, the most common basis for his rejection of the deaf person is his lack of correct knowledge about deaf workers. We have discussed this above and pointed out that it is being resolved continuously through all public education media that we can command. Frequently, however, the deaf applicant may be passed over because he does not have training and experience equivalent to those of other job applicants.

Sometimes, too, a particular job situation may be unsafe, although the deaf person has had rich experience in that type of work elsewhere. We recall an instance when an experienced deaf mill operator was turned away by a busy plant that was advertising for help. Our mildly belligerent on-the-spot inquiry quickly reverted to expressions of appreciation to the appointing officer for his prudence. The situations available were not safe for this deaf man, despite his experience, because of the plant lay-out, traffic pattern, and outmoded machinery.

More often than we like to admit, perhaps even more often than for any other single reason, a deaf applicant may be rejected for the same reason some hearing persons are rejected. He just is not a desirable individual to have around. He may have personality defects, unsatisfactory personal appearance, a bad employment history arising out of the aforementioned personal deficiencies or out of inadequate training and job performance.

All of these characteristics of the resistance or indifference deaf job seekers meet are important. However, the only

one that has universal significance is the first one, lack of information among personnel workers, upon which we are already working through educational media. All of the remaining characteristics except safety are individual matters that are in no way identified with deafness. Safety considerations in certain industrial situations may operate to exclude the deaf, in those few situations in which hearing is essential to safe operation. Deficiencies in training and experience exist among the deaf and the normal. All can overcome them. Likewise, defects in personality and other factors influencing employability are as common among the normal as the deaf and can be eliminated equally well by either when proper counseling and guidance tools are available and used. Accordingly, it is not correct to speak of discrimination against the deaf or rejection of the deaf on the basis of a few experiences that represent individual rather than group problems.

There is one more personal observation which we feel should be mentioned before we talk about other aspects of employment. It may not be generally known since most people are most familiar with their local situations only. It is not uncommon to find branches of a given company following diametrically opposed policies regarding the employment of deaf people. For example, the main unit of a corporation located in a large State may have acquired an exceptional reputation for intelligent placement of deaf workers while one of its large branches in a nearby State may give little or no consideration to deaf applicants. Here is clear evidence of the need for clarifying discussions with branch representatives and central office personnel. It is another large part of the public education work which we are obligated to and will carry forward.

We are also busily engaged in or planning for important action in many other aspects of employment for deaf people. For example, we have successfully secured top level re-study of examinations and examination procedures in the Federal civil service and with the active cooperation of the Civil Service Commission arranged for interpreters to assist deaf applicants in understanding the test directions in standard civil service tests. Perhaps an even more important development has been the interest of the Civil Service Commission test development unit in finding tests that more nearly measure the competencies of deaf applicants than the current difficult language test.

There are other ways in which we collaborate with cooperating groups and the Civil Service Commission to eradicate any suspicion of any thing that could be called discrimination. On a number of occasions the Civil Service Commission has broadened the an-

nounced requirements for Federal positions to eliminate an apparent needless limitation of the applicants to persons with some degree of useful residual hearing. The Commission always stands ready to explore fully at our request any indication that the Federal job opportunities of deaf people are not in accord with Public Law 617 of the 80th Congress which provides "... that no person shall be discriminated against in any case because of any physical handicap, in examination, appointment, reappointment, reinstatement, re-employment, promotion, transfer, re-transfer, demotion, or removal, with respect to any position the duties of which, in the opinion of the Civil Service Commission, may be efficiently performed by a person with such a physical handicap . . ."

The foregoing record of accomplishment may lead the reader to presume that we have only quickly successful experience in promoting the employment of deaf people. To the contrary, some of our work requires persistent application over a period of years. For example, the matter of a deaf person operating a motor vehicle in interstate commerce has involved much clarification and discussion over the past few years. Much more will be involved as time and circumstances permit.

We are deeply concerned that the emotionally disturbed or otherwise marginal or sub-marginal deaf person achieve the measure of economic self-sufficiency that is commensurate with his capacities. In the light of experience it seems clear that we must provide for the proper type of sheltered employment for these deaf people. It may be terminal for the more difficult case in the sense that the economic self-sufficiency that the sheltered employment affords is all that he can attain. However, for many of these marginal people a good sheltered employment program may very well be a transitional service to full economic independence.

Full economic independence is, of course, our goal for all. We have described a few of the ways in which we are working toward that end. There are many others which will be unfolded in the years ahead as they come into reality and make material contribution to the economic well-being of all deaf people. In the meantime, it is worthwhile to reflect upon the fact that economic discrimination and economic independence are incompatible. The former will logically wither as the latter thrives. Accordingly, we believe vigorous promotion of economic independence in all possible ways is the best antidote to whatever discrimination there may be. The wonderful example set by so many thousands of successful deaf workers is the best possible help for us in helping other deaf persons.

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Parliamentary Procedure

By Edwin M. Hazel

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"The assembly cannot deprive itself of the power to direct its method of doing business. It is like a man promising that he will not change his own mind." — T. B. REED

Q. Suppose a new subject is carried, which is in spirit the same as a previous motion which was rejected, what becomes of this new motion? — H.W.H.

A. Adoption of a "new subject" is valid. However, when the motion on the "new subject" was made the Chair should have ruled it out of order if made during the same session as the rejected motion. Failure to raise the point at the time the motion was stated by the Chair means that the motion was ruled in order by general consent!

Q. About four years ago the President of Club appointed Mr. C. to a law committee. A month later Mr. C. was stunned when the President announced a change in the committee appointment by appointing Mr. M. to succeed Mr. C., giving no reason! This also met with the approval of the assembly! Mr. C. rose to a point of order demanding the reason for the change without even consulting him. But the Chair turned him down! Mr. C. appealed, but the Chair ordered one of the sergeant-at-arms to silence him! Mr. C. became confused and took his seat like a gentleman. Was the President right? — J.R.W.

A. No. It was a sad mistake. Evidently, the President did not know that once an appointment is made, he cannot change it under any circumstances unless a member of the committee resigns or is discharged by the assembly for reason. In this case the President can then replace him. Again, the President did not know that he may never ignore a point of order or an appeal. He must *always* recognize it whether he likes it or not. The right of appealing the Chair's decision protects the members and the assembly itself from being *dictated* to by the President. The club has the right to hear both sides of an issue before coming to a decision of the matter.

Q. Has the President the power to punish a member? — B.C.A.

A. No. He has no power to discipline (reprimand, fine or the like) during the parliamentary procedure, but he may only name the one who commits the breach of order or behavior and no more. It is then up to the as-

sembly to settle the breach by a majority vote or a 2/3 vote, depending on the nature of the offense. However some organizations have in their bylaws a clause authorizing the President to reprimand or fine a member for his ill-manner or misbehavior.

Q. May a President appoint standing committees to run into the following year? — H.E.M.

A. No, unless expressly permitted by a rule.

Q. I do not understand the difference between a meeting and a session, please explain. — F.D.T.

A. With organizations meeting frequently most sessions consist of just one meeting, hence for practical purposes it rarely makes any difference which term is used. An "adjourned meeting" is a continuation of the same session. A convention meeting for several days holds one business session, consisting of several meetings. The period between two meetings of the same session is called a recess. A session is always terminated by adjourning. Bylaws would be clearer if they said "regular session," "annual session," instead of "regular meeting," "annual meeting," etc.

Q. What is meant by "two-thirds majority"? — A.B.J.

A. It means a "two-thirds vote." The phrase "two-thirds majority" should not be used since it would logically mean two-thirds of a majority which would be any number over one-third. Actually, it means two-thirds of the votes cast, of the members present or of the entire membership as may be expressly specified in the bylaws.

Q. May the President be a member of the nominating committee? — Miss B.

A. Yes, if he is an ex-officio member of all committees, but the practice is very unwise and in poor taste. A provision in the bylaws of your organization should state that the President shall be ex-officio a member of all standing committees (*except the nominating committee*).

Readers desiring to ask questions on parliamentary procedure are invited to write to the author of this column. Please send him a stamped self-addressed envelope. Edwin M. Hazel, 12024 Wentworth Avenue, Chicago 28, Illinois.

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WASHINGTON . . .

Elmer Francisco and his family have moved to Spokane from Butte, Montana. Elmer has a "sit" on one of the local papers and has settled down in our community quite happily.

The local hunters are demanding a public retraction of their failure to shoot anything. So we will tell you that Charles Raymond shot a deer on the Howell farm, a favorite hunting spot for our local nimrods. Murl Hood of Burke, Idaho, got one elk and his wife got another in what was practically their own back yard. Luther Sandberg presented a large part of a deer to the ladies of the Hope Lutheran Church who served it at their monthly dinner recently. Larry Harrod shot a black bear in Idaho but so far has found the deer and the elk to be most elusive. He vows to bag one before the season is over and we believe that he will, knowing Larry. John Frisbie got his full quota of duck, too.

Mrs. Francis Kozonovich of Butte, Montana, was a recent visitor to Spokane. She spent a week with her sister, Anna Raymond, in the new home Anna and Charles have bought out on East Grace St.

Hospitalizations have been especially numerous of late. Josie Knapton and Rose Wallace were in the Deaconess for surgery at the same time and Thomas Maguire spent some time at the Sacred Heart with pneumonia. Len Tupper is a patient at Sacred Heart Hospital as this is written.

The Spokane Association is sponsoring a fishing "Derby" to be held at one of the nearby inland lakes next May. Joe Foley has been given a free hand as Chairman. When the new Club Officers were elected recently, the proposed "Derby" became a cinch to be sponsored due to the fact that both the president, Mrs. C. Colgain, and the Secretary, Charles Raymond, are ardent anglers. Caroline and Charles, by the way, were

first and second place winners at the fish derby held at Bayview on the Pond O'Reille last year.

Bob and Alta Strebe took time out from their farm labor at Pasco to spend a full week in Spokane visiting their many friends, who were delighted to see them.

Fire broke out at the plant where Ernest Berestoff works in Colville. Just about everything was destroyed though it seems that enough was salvaged to enable the paper to keep publishing. The equipment was set up in a garage and Ernie was put to work nights and weekends. Other news concerning Ernie is that he recently bagged a 175-pound buck and Mrs. Berestoff complains that she is scared out of her wits every time she goes down into the cellar of their home. All because Ernie has the 'head' of that buck down there in the cellar. What wife wants to do the family laundry with a buck's head staring at her from a dark corner?

Mrs. Rose Bailey was given a baby shower recently and all the guests assembled on time with excited expectancy. However, Rose never did show up and upon inquiry it was found that she was already in the hospital. Mrs. Adele Berestoff, who expects an addition to the family in early January, was tendered a shower during November at the home of Vivian Sackville-West. Others who will welcome little bundles during January are Mrs. Victor Rehn and Mrs. Emil Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moore, who have been very active in affairs concerning the deaf of Spokane, moved to Ephrata almost a year ago to engage in the raising of chickens and turkeys. Mrs. Moore and her daughter, Lois Goetz, were in town recently doing Christmas shopping and revealed that they are happy and satisfied with their new undertaking.

If Spokane news dominates this column, my Washington friends, it is because they are personal observations. Just send me news of your area and I'll be glad and happy to include every word verbatim! Address: Caroline Colgain, 1313½ South Division, Spokane, Washington.

MINNESOTA . . .

The list of new home owners has been increased with the additional names of the Marvin Kuhlmanns, the Percy Freeburgs, and the Albert Tobys. The Kuhlmanns are building a new four-

room house in Roseville, a suburb of St. Paul. The Tobys have already purchased a three-bedroom semi-bungalow in St. Paul. The Freeburgs bought a house on the same street, Madison Street N.E., about 10 blocks north of where they had been renting for so many years.

(This department's proofreader got tangled up on one of the items in the Minnesota column for November. It said that the Neil Jensens of St. Paul were building a home for the Dean Swansons. The fact was, both the Swansons and Jensens have new homes. The Swansons purchased a home and the Jensens were having one built to conform to specifications of their own planning.—Ed.)

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Carlson of Hopkins had a new garage built for them, and now in the wintry days ahead, they won't have trouble keeping their aging Ford warm.

Another attack of kidney stone ailment sent Walter Blinderman of St. Paul to a local hospital, and after a week he was back on his feet, smiling as ever. Can't keep a good fellow down!

Jake Roberts of Minneapolis is set to retire on Jan. 1, but he admits recently that his plans may go awry unless his boss is able to find a man to take his place as a cylinder pressman for the American Printing Co. He specializes in color posters. For the past year or so he has been suffering from a heart ailment and anemia.

Albert Toby deserved a pat on the back for his hard work in staging a successful Hallowe'en Masquerade dance on Oct. 30 at Thompson Hall. Over \$50 in net profits were realized, increasing the Frats' treasury.

Kark Grittner, hearing brother of our Mrs. Alveda Colburn, recently was re-elected for another term — second term — to the Minnesota legislature. He is a representative of West St. Paul. He is one of the leaders of the Liberal bloc.

Lorraine Ricci's hearing brother, Mario, is on the police force now, having joined it not so long ago. His daily beat is a local park in St. Paul. Recently, Lorraine became an aunt for the first time when Mario's wife gave birth to a baby girl.

On the first day of November, Mr. and Mrs. James Grenell became proud parents of a bouncing baby boy, weighing 8½ lbs. Name for the heir is Denning 8½ lbs. Name for the heir is Denzabog.

A bundle of masculinity, tipping the scales over 9 pounds, was dropped on the steps of the Fred Sunds of St. Paul on Nov. 16.

A host of friends flocked to Thompson Hall on Nov. 20 to attend a baby shower for Mrs. John Schumacher (nee Nona Fraki). Many nice gifts were given her, for which she was very grate-

ful. The stork is due around January.

In the opening game of the basketball season, the fighting Sioux Falls quint, led by the deadeye Mitchell, upset the experienced Twin Cities team, 61-57, in an overtime game on the losers' floor, Nov. 27. The score was tied, 54-54, in a regulation game. In the beginning, the frigid shooting of the losers put them way behind, the score being 36-27 at the half. In the last half, the losers came to life, finally knotting the score 54-54, only to see the winners come back to win the game. In a return game on Dec. 11 at Sioux Falls, the Twin Cities quint avenged the defeat, by overcoming the Soos, something like 65-56.

NEW YORK . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Kremen were surprised with a party upon their 30th Anniversary. Many and many were the good friends who gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Schwartz, where the party was held, to congratulate the Kremens and wish them many more happy anniversaries.

Mr. H. Kearns really likes to travel. He recently toured fourteen European countries and had the time of his life until word came of the serious illness of his father here. Mr. Kearns was forced to cut his trip short and hurry home, bringing with him Anthony Napitalino, an Italian refugee.

Jim and Ruth Stern of nearby Fairlawn, N.J. recently became the parents of a lovely new daughter. The baby has been named Susan Carol and the Sterns have one other child, a three-year-old boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Grutzmacher recently sailed for Europe, where they plan to spend some three months visiting foreign lands. Their friends bade them *Bou Voyage* and hope they have a pleasant journey.

Mrs. S. Bauman (nee Schankenburg) recently passed away. Her death was due to natural causes and advanced age.

Sammv and Lucy Lewis are bursting with paternal pride. They have just welcomed a new baby, little Jeffrey Werth.

An interesting item has just come to our attention, the case of Miss Georgia Hardin of Illinois, who moved to NYC back in 1943 and in all this time she has met very few, if any, of the large number of deaf residents of this area. Now, it can never be said that New Yorkers are lacking in friendliness and hospitality, so we feel it our duty to inform you readers of the existence of young Miss Hardin and we hope that any other deaf persons lost in this huge city of New York will get in touch with us. We will see to it that they make friends because the Big Town can be a lonely place, even with its teeming thousands.

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The Silent Printer

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Some time ago we received a very interesting letter from a fellow Silent Printer and will pass along several of his observations for they make a lot of sense. This Silent Printer is Leonard Marshall by name and when last heard from was hailing from Eaton, Ohio, where he is employed in the ad-alley of the Register-Herald. Brother Marshall is a product of the California School at Berkeley, where he learned the trade. Below are excerpts from his letter.

"I would like to direct your attention to the school shops who have inexperienced teachers. By the word inexperienced I refer to those teachers who have little or no experience in actual work at the trade, who hold down their jobs by virtue of their 'sheepskins' (a more apt word would be 'Cheapskins'). Pity the poor tyro who fancies that he is learning a trade under these teachers. In my four short years of printing from coast to coast, I have seen several deaf printers just starting out on their careers only to be stymied by their lack of knowledge of the vocabulary of their trade. Altho they knew how to set up type and were fairly competent, they could not understand what the foreman was talking about when he ordered them to set up a 1x2 ad on the linotype in everyday printshop language; language that was no doubt as foreign to their teachers as to them."

This is an observation that has been troubling the Silent Printer for a long while and is a problem that exists in the academic department of our schools too. It seems to be the fashion to practically worship a college diploma in the profession of teaching. Far be it from us to belittle a college education (that's one of the many things we lack) but we insist that adequate training is but one-half the story, natural adaptitude being the other half. One without the other is worthless. We recall a certain school for the deaf which plans to hire one teacher for all vocational classes. The teacher to be a teacher of "Vocational Arts," whatever that is. If such a plan is placed in effect we do not anticipate welcoming any silent printers to our ranks from that school.

We have long felt that our schools could more efficiently train their pupils for a productive life if the school would make more use of the many mechanical aptitude tests that have been developed. A news item we read recently points out the value of these tests. Ac-

cording to this article, Local No. 13, International Printing Pressman and Assistants Union, of Detroit has made it compulsory for those applying for membership to take a Mechanical Aptitude Test. The test was developed in cooperation with the Michigan Employment Security Commission.

The Great Amalgamated Directory:

John Galvan, Printing Instructor, School for the Deaf at Berkeley, Calif.

Brother Galvan got his trade training at the California School and at Gallaudet.

Earl Griffith, Linotype Operator, Columbus Dispatch, Columbus, Ohio. Brother Griffith is a product of the West Virginia School for the Deaf. Our information does not state where he learned the trade.

Marvin Greenstone, Linotype Operator and Floorman, Wolfer Printing, Inc., Los Angeles, California. Marvie attended the Fanwood School, where type lice first got to him. He says he also attended the famous Frank Wiggins Trade School.

William Clinton Jones, Ludlow Machine Operator at Bruce Publishing Co., Minneapolis, Minn. Brother Jones states that he has been employed at Bruce for 41 years. A long time but still a few years to go before catching up with Brother A. W. Wright of Seattle.

Have you ever had trouble making either hand set or machine type hold in a mortised cut? Here's how to remedy this trouble. Undercut the wood base of the engraving in a few places and cut a few six point slugs a little under regular height. Place the slugs in the undercut grooves and allow them to protrude perhaps a fraction of a point. This will afford sufficient pressure on lock-up to hold the inserted type, even in a platen press form.

According to the public press a farmer in St. Jean LaJoterie, France who had been missing for a month turned up well and cheerful at his home. He told his distressed relatives that he had been in the loft of his barn all the time: "I wanted to grow a beard in private." We cannot in justice claim that the fame of our elegant beard has spread to France but we do insist that this incident is just additional proof that we are correct in our contention that no man is complete until he cultivates a beard.

SWinging . . .

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Mrs. S. Konner's mother passed away recently leaving her daughter grief-stricken and we extend our sincere sympathy and condolences to her upon her great loss.

We want to express our admiration of Mrs. Ruth Hirsch. 80 years young, Mrs. Hirsch owns a thriving business specializing in hand-made jewelry such as rings, pins, ear-rings, pearl necklaces, and the like. She enjoys the patronage of a large number of local Gotham ladies.

Mr. Henri Feldman is another engaged in the jewelry business. Coming to New York just two short years ago from Germany, Henri started his enterprise six months after his arrival and now owns a thriving business, is comfortably well-off, and drives a late-model car. He likes to recall how he was advised not to start the business by pessimistic friends who told him he would surely end up in the 'red.' Hard work and ambition such as Henri's is a combination almost impossible to beat and he deserves all praise for his industriousness.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Epstein went all-out on their recent plane tour, flying first to Mexico City and then up to San Francisco, where they attended a convention of the Traveler's Agency. From San Francisco they winged across the Pacific to Hawaii for a vacation before returning home. Mrs. Epstein is the hearing sister of Mrs. Bella Peters and Mrs. Sara Kaminsky.

Mrs. M. Winicig was surprised upon her birthday with a party at a Chinese restaurant given by some twenty of her girl friends. Mrs. Winicig has just turned 50 and says it was a very happy birthday this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Kenner are planning a trip by air to Phoenix, Arizona, very soon. From Phoenix they will fly up to Los Angeles and San Francisco before returning non-stop to New York around the middle of March.

MISSOURI . . .

The Kansas City Club for the Deaf remodeled and painted their club hall during the months of December and January. They replaced their 90-inch steam table with a smaller model.

New officers were elected in December, but all we know are the following: Earl Smith, reelected president of the Heart of America Club for the Deaf; Erlene Graybill reelected president of the Kansas City Club of the Deaf, Inc., and William Eades, president of the Fraternal Society.

Robert Morris is the new coach of the Kansas City Club for the Deaf, replacing Albert Stack, veteran coach of seven years. Albert is now Secretary-

Treasurer of the MAAD and will be pretty busy with his duties.

CALIFORNIA . . .

After seeing Florence Schornstein plane out for N.J., for the holidays, Madeline Mussmanno spent a fortnight at the Herb Schreibers.

Patricia Kitchen flew to San Francisco for the holidays.

Open house was held by Willa Dudley at her Santa Monica home, Jan. 2.

Mrs. Mabel Finnell entertained friends of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Y. Northern of Denver, Dec. 26.

A Grab-bag Christmas party took place at Anna Fahr's for the Los Angeles bridge club.

Herb Schreiber enplaned to the East Thanksgiving. He stopped over at the Al Fleischmans in Washington, D.C., on his way to Norfolk, Va. Kit and Fred Schreiber of Washington, D.C., took Herb in on a pre-Thanksgiving feed.

Carl Barber, teacher at Riverside, moved his family into a new home Dec. 17. Just in time for Christmas, too.

Alice Lusk of New Mexico, spent a weekend with Madeline Mussmanno during the holidays.

Two little baby girls arrived in the city of Los Angeles during December to gladden the Holidays for the Donald Nuernbergers and the Thomas W. Elliotts. For Donald and Eleanor it is a seven and a half pound daughter born December 8th and named Joy Ann. Santa brought nine and a half pound Deborah Delight to Tom and Becky just in time for Christmas, December 21st, and the little girl will be called Debbie. It was indeed a Merry Christmas for the Elliotts and the Nuernbergers this year.

Frank and Carol Pokorak were feted at a surprise party November 26th upon the occasion of their 5th wedding anniversary. Party was given at the Los Angeles Club with Loel Schreiber heading the committee and a good crowd showed up to honor the popular young Pokoraks, who recently purchased a home out in Puente and have been so busy working on the new place that they have not been much in evidence at local gatherings lately.

Early winter visitor to Los Angeles and Long Beach was Herr John Vrecko of Austria who is making his home in Los Angeles at present. Dropping in at the Long Beach Club, John told us that he liked our country and was much impressed by the kindness of the people he has met since coming to southern California. Yes, girls, John is young . . . and very good-looking!

The Christmas holidays found Art C. Johnson and his Misses entertaining their son and daughter-in-law of Santa Barbara in Long Beach. The Johnsons spent Thanksgiving up in Santa Barbara and so invited the younger John-

sons down to Long Beach for Christmas. Art, still young at 68, is an interested and untiring worker for the deaf and folks hereabouts are boosting him for the presidency of the Long Beach Club when Mrs. Ellen Grimes retires a month hence. Virgil and Ellen and Jerry Fail will climax six years of continuous work for the LBCD in February and are backing Art and his cronies to fill their place.

The Luther B. Harrises spent a quiet Christmas with their daughter; John and Jerry Fail had John's mother as house-guest and took her on a gay round of visiting before leaving young Johnny with her and taking off for a needed vacation at Las Vegas and Boulder Dam. (Don't ask us what luck we had.)

The Joe M. Park family and the Virgil Grimes family teamed up for a gay Christmas dinner at the Grimes home; the Ivan Nunn family had quite a noisy holiday this year with the five little Nunnns, in addition to Ivan's sister and brother-in-law and six children, helping to make things lively; Luther Harris opened his heart to his friends at Christmas and many were the happy and surprised people who found beautiful gifts under their trees Christmas morning. The Frank Lunas spent a quiet holiday at the family fireside this year with Pat expecting sometime during January. The baby will be a delayed Christmas present for Pat and Frank.

We hear that Hope Beaslep took husband Earl out to dinner just before the holiday and treated him to a New York Steak upon the occasion of his birthday. Earl wouldn't tell us how many summers he has seen but we can guess. (No use keeping secrets from the SILENT WORKER News Editor, Earl!)

John Fail isn't telling the details concerning that Stag Party he attended at the Wilton Hotel in Long Beach during the holidays as guest of the Harbor Department and Congressman Craig Hoamer. Our curiosity is better imagined than described, naturally. Only 25 were invited to the gathering so John must be coming up in the world hobnobbing with the upper crust and his pal, the Mayor.

Did you know that we have a couple of heroes in our midst? Ivan Nunn and Lynton Rider of Los Angeles and Lawndale are credited with saving the life

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of a fellow employee, Noel Campbell, in a sudden flash fire at the North American Aviation plant in Torrance during early November. Campbell, turned into a veritable human torch by the flash fire, was severely burned and hospitalized and had it not been for the quick thinking of Nunn and Rider, he would surely have burned to death. The two grabbed a rubber blanket that happened to be close at hand and smothered the fire, ripping off Campbell's flaming shirt. The two brave young men are going about quite red in the face these days at all the compliments and praise. However, they fully deserve it all and we're proud of them.

Well, folks, not much news of California this time. Our friends sent us cards but no news of their activities. It looks like this issue will bring another comment upon the News Editor writing mostly about her own friends, tho' it is truly no fault of our own. Tucked in amongst our Christmas cards we found notes from the Gilbert Leons of Phoenix, Arizona, and the Francis Fitzgeralds of Chicago, as well as the Hugh Cusacks. The Cusacks will be coming to Los Angeles in April to attend the 11th AAAD Nationals if nothing unforeseen intervenes; Virgie told us about that wonderful surprise party her and Francis' friends gave her and Francis recently (paging Warshawsky! Send in the news, Lenny!) and the Leons invited us to stop by and see them when we pass through Phoenix on our way to the FAAD in Tucson come March 4-5th. You bet we will, Fern and Gil!

Among the Christmas greetings we will treasure forever were photographic cards from Herb and Harriett Votaw; the Frank Sladeks of Tucson; the Jack Cravens, also of Tucson; and the Toivo Lindholms of Los Angeles. Toivo and Lucille were shown with their two handsome sons, Allen and Tommy. (Allen is in Korea and Tommy is at West Point) and we got a good look at the Craven family, Jack and Grace, together with son Johnny who is in the Navy, young Jacqueline, and twins Jean and Joan. Herb and Harriett were shown all bundled up against the cold of Denver, Colorado, with a good view of their home and with snow on the roof-tops. The photo of Frank and Beverly showed off beautiful baby Donna to perfection in an authentic Arizona setting. Now, folks, how about photographic Christmas cards next year?

It is impossible to write a column at Christmas-time . . . to be read a month or so after the holidays are gone and forgotten . . . without saying that we hope all of you had a wonderful Christmas and that 1955 will bring you everything your heart desires. Among your New Year resolutions we hope there is one resolving to help us keep the News

Section going and increasing the coverage by sending in news of your activities. Please try . . . and heartfelt thanks to those of you who helped all through the year just past.

The day after Christmas brought some delayed Christmas cards and amongst them we found notes telling us of more new arrivals just prior to the holidays. From far-off Elk City, Oklahoma, came the news that little Jerry arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ellison Lewis on December 16th and wonder if perhaps the baby was named for us? Nice name. Jerry Lewis . . . ask Dean Martin!

Six-pound Teresa Marie came December 4th to the home of Connie and Dorothy Marchione out of Cherrystone Avenue in Panorama City, adjacent to Los Angeles. Connie can relax now and really get to work on the coming Nationals set for April in L.A. though we do not see how he will be able to tear himself away from baby Teresa. If she looks at all like her mother, she will be a raving beauty.

Bay Area News

Word has been received from Washington that the Omega Chapter charter has been granted to the loyal Bay Area members of the OWLS alumni of Galaudet College. The sorority, however, will no longer be known by that name but will take the Greek letter name of Phi Kappa Zeta. At the October meeting at the home of Mary Ladner in Berkeley, Mrs. Ladner and Mrs. Caroline Burnes were hostesses to a local group of about 15 members. Games and refreshments were enjoyed. Officers elected were Mrs. Agatha T. Hanson, president; Mrs. Catherine Ramger, vice-president; Mrs. Effie Anderson, secretary-treasurer.

Some 40 members of the Mt. Diablo Club for the Deaf were present at the 3rd annual turkey dinner held in Antioch, November 24. Whist and prizes were enjoyed afterwards.

The annual EBCD Kiddie Christmas party was enjoyed by the usual large crowd — and more kids than ever each year, it seems. A wonderful dancing entertainment program was presented by child members of a Hayward dancing school. Then gifts were distributed and Santa gave candy, nuts, fruit to each child, after which several reels of color cartoons were enjoyed by all.

The members of the Berkeley-Oakland NFSD and the Aux-Frats also held their Christmas party at the EBCD, with gifts exchanged and refreshments enjoyed. Many other private Christmas gatherings were enjoyed.

The Olaf Kviens of Montclair are sporting a new 1955 Plymouth. They were also mentioned in the papers as entrants in an Oakland home decorating Christmas contest and we hear their decorations were very beautiful.

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Virginia Girl Is Post Office Employee

Miss Edna Loraine Swindell is employed in the Post Office Deposit Section of the Money Department at the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, Virginia. This handles registered deposits of surplus funds of post offices located in the States of Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Maryland.

Approximately 300 pieces of registered mail are assigned to Loraine daily, together with post office manifests listing the registry number of each envelope. After checking the envelopes to the manifests, she opens the mail, removes the contents, and manually verifies the cash and savings stamp portions of each deposit to the enclosed deposit slip, and indicates on each deposit slip by check mark or otherwise the amount of cash or savings stamps received.

After being verified, the currency is segregated as to denomination and at the close of the day the notes of each denomination are assembled into packages of 50 or 100 notes each and the savings stamps are adding machine listed.

The proving of these deposits requires a high degree of concentration, speed, and accuracy, as the amount of cash handled by Loraine daily varies from \$25,000 to \$50,000, involving several thousand bills.

Miss Loraine Swindell was admitted to the Virginia School for the Deaf, Staunton, Virginia September 1, 1937 and graduated June 1950.

Loraine has been working in the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond since April 1, 1953. I happened to be in that bank last summer and asked for permission to see Loraine's work. I had a delightful talk with her head supervisor, Mrs. Polly Carville, and assistant supervisor, Mrs. Helen Atkinson, about her work. I asked Mrs. Carville to write a brief article and to take a picture of Loraine and the place where she works. We want to thank Mrs. Carville and Mrs. Atkinson for the information herein and the picture. — R. AUMON BASS

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The Felix Kowalewskis of Pleasant Hill copped first place in their area Christmas window contest. They were awarded a bronze plaque and some \$15 in merchandise orders.

COLORADO . . .

Newcomers Ruby and Alex Pavalko, formerly of San Antonio, Texas, are steadily making new friends in Denver. Alex is employed as an engraver for a well-known company. They had Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hensley, of the Texas School as their visitors and brought them to the Silent Athletic Club of Denver on December 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Dierking of Plains, Kans., spent several days in Denver during November. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Elstad, and took a short trip to Greeley to visit relatives.

Edwin Slye of Cheyenne, Wyoming, spent a week-end with Russell De Haven and James Lane over the Thanksgiving holidays.

Hazel Ramus of Denver was married to Orville Merford of California on the 21st of November at a private ceremony in Cheyenne, Wyoming. At this writing they are on their honeymoon in Montana visiting Hazel's family. They will make their home in San Diego, California.

James Sweeney took his two weeks' vacation in November and went to the West Coast where he visited relatives and friends.

December 10th, Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet Day, was the scene of a turkey dinner at the St. Mark's Episcopal

Church. Mrs. Bessie Lessley, chairwoman, had Mrs. Tom Collins, Mrs. Frances Bundy, Mrs. Helga Fraser and Mrs. Margaret Herbold as her assistants. A program followed: Mrs. Iona Simpson acted as Toastmistress; the invocation was given by the Rev. Mr. Moreland; songs by Mrs. Homer Grace, Miss Ione Dibble; talks by James H. Tuskey, Mrs. Mary C. Elstad; Mrs. Emma Cunningham, Supt. Roy M. Stelle, and Mrs. Clarence Moore, member of the School Board. Benediction was by the Rev. Mr. Homer Grace. Guests were Mrs. Emma Cunningham, Supt. and Mrs. Roy M. Stelle, all from Colorado Springs, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Moore, of Denver.

Rev. Mr. Moreland gave a short talk about his interest in the deaf, and told of a Mr. Gordon Compton who taught him the sign language when both were boys in Austin, Texas. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Gordon Compton, please get in touch with Harriett Votaw, the Assistant News Editor, and she will in turn inform Mr. Moreland.

WISCONSIN . . .

Yachtman Sue took a ten-day trip to New York to visit relatives and make a side trip to Gallaudet College.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Krause sold their house in Muskego, Wisc., and have bought a new home in Milwaukee. Mr. Krause was a wrestler for several years in Milwaukee and vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schneider and children took an auto trip to Canada to visit points of interest as far north as Quebec.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ramus moved to North 53rd Street near North Avenue after living at their West State

Street address for eleven years when they moved to Milwaukee from Chipewa Falls, Wisc. Their son is the president of the Wisconsin Association of the Deaf.

Walter Reuter was hospitalized for treatment on his partly amputated left hand which was crushed by a paper cutter at his place of employment two years ago. He also traded in his '52 Dodge for a '54 Pontiac in December.

Bryon Leiskei of Milwaukee took his annual trip to Florida and California via New Orleans in his auto and will be gone until spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred A. Maertz are now helping our correspondent, Julius Salzer, in collecting news and subscribers. Their address is 548 N. 63rd Street, Milwaukee 13, Wisconsin.

NEBRASKA . . .

The basketball season is on in the Omaha Club of the Deaf with the championship of the MAAD at stake: the OCD basketball boys are playing in league basketball at Kellom Center this winter, their expenses being borne by a new sponsor, Buda's Bar, favorite hangout of the younger set of the Omaha deaf at 30th and Dodge; the team is about the same as last year with only two new boys added to it, Lee A. Myers and John Skeen, and the veterans are as follows: Knobbe, Holub, Trickey, Spatz, Garretz Nelson, Delbert Meyer, Poch and Jeck; they have a new coach — Melvin Morton, who should make a good one with his age and experience, and the manager is the same old George Propp. Their first game in the MAAD region was with the Des Moines Silent Club on Dec. 4th, when they drove to DM, with two of them showing up late on account of car trouble, and lost the game by a narrow margin of two points, 58-56, which as yet does not prove anything for either team, and which must await the return game in Omaha on Jan. 22nd for a more fair comparison. The second game of the OCD was with Council Bluffs Silent Club at the Nebraska School Saturday night, Dec. 18, before a large crowd of interested spectators, mostly Omaha deaf, and Omaha won, 73 to 62, which is rather deceiving, because Council Bluffs really presented a much changed and improved team with the addition of several young players just out of school: Rinehart, 6'4", and Derby, 6'2", and Wernimont, short but fast. There are two more young ones on the CB team: Mister and Matzen, both students at the Iowa School but overage and ineligible for school athletics, and both very good in basketball. So CB may be the dark horse in the MAAD, and thus they are the team to watch, in view of the 1955 MAAD Tournament in St. Louis. They have defeated two clubs of the deaf already in home games: 94 to Sioux Falls, So.

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Dakota's 67 Dec. 4th; and 69 to Des Moines' 59 Dec. 11th. The two kids, Mister and Matzen, played for CB in these two home games, but did not play in the game with Omaha on account of the Christmas vacation. It seems that all we can do is to just figure it all out and pick the winner of the MAAD tourney, and your guess is as good as anyone else's.

About 45 good and loyal OCD members assembled in Hall No. 2 at Swedish Auditorium Friday night, Dec. 10th, for the last meeting of the year and had an election of officers for 1955, which was as follows: President, Tom Peterson (re-elected); Vice-President, Mrs. Florence Petersen; Secretary, Robert Mullin (re-elected); Treasurer, John Rewolinski; New 3rd Trustee, Nick Petersen (the hold-overs being Marie Goetter and Mrs. Ruth Falk); Sergeant-at-Arms, Mrs. Delbert Cooper; and Custodian, Laverne Haynes. The meeting was marked by several humorous incidents: the President was sporting a first-aid bandage strip under his nose, having come out second best after a bout with a big-sized fever blister, and he asked the members to excuse his appearance; he and the rest of the officers were plainly embarrassed when it was discovered that they had completely forgotten the refreshments they were to serve after the meeting, but the members took it good-naturedly; Mr. Falk, when urged to keep the office of treasurer for the 5th term, said he did not intend to die in office. There were many reports made at the meeting, too numerous to be detailed here, but one worth noting was that of the OCD NEWS staff through Nick Petersen, the business manager, who reported a balance of \$145.00 in the OCD NEWS fund, \$25.00 more than last year, and announced that there were exactly 157 paid subscribers for the paper, exclusive of those on the exchange list. It was proposed and instantly approved that the OCDL have a big entertainment, free for all members, in April, to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the founding of the Club, such to be arranged for by the new General Entertainment Committee: Mrs. Grace Scheneman, Chairman, and Charles Falk and Mrs. Dorothy Trickey.

At the same time of the meeting of the Omaha Frats Saturday night, Dec. 4th, the Aux-Frats had their meeting for the election of new officers to serve during the year of 1955, which resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Gladys Study; Vice-President, Mrs. Katherine Moran; Secretary, Mrs. Grace Scheneman (re-elected); Treasurer, Mrs. Ruth Falk; New 3rd Trustee, Mrs. Avadna Langr; Sergeant-at-Arms, Mrs. Delbert Cooper; Custodian, Mrs. Lucille Eggleston; and Assistant Custodian, Mrs. Vernon Meyer.

After the meeting there was a pre-Christmas party managed by the Aux-Frats for the children of both the Frats and Aux-Frats; the chairman was Mrs. Vernon Meyer and those on her committee were Mrs. Audrey Rewolinski, Mrs. Galen Phillips and Miss Nora Nanney. The role of Santa Claus was taken by Vernon Meyer, and it seemed that nobody recognized him in the outfit he was wearing, but he could not fool his own son, 5 years of age, who instantly knew him by his voice. In the exchange of gifts for the adults after the party everybody got some food in all forms, either fresh or canned, and either vegetable or fruit, etc., and it seemed to be most fair and satisfactory to all. Mrs. Meyer and her committee are to be commended for their work, so here's to them a big vote of thanks.

Eugene McConnell, long-time teacher in the vocational department at the Iowa School, and his wife, Iva, a Domestic Arts teacher at the same school, and both renowned travelers, left immediately after the close of school for the Christmas vacation for Honolulu, Hawaii, first by U.P. streamliner to Los Angeles and then by United Air Lines to Hawaii. Mr. McConnell has a sister living in Honolulu, and she subleased the apartment above hers for the McConnells to use during their 10-day stay there. They were going to visit the Hawaiian School for the Deaf and to call on deaf people, if there are any, in the city. They took their son, Roger, 14 or 15, with them; he is a student at the Iowa School.

James Weigand and Dorothy Debus, both of Lincoln, Nebraska, who had been "going steady" for about a year, finally said their "I do's" before a county judge in Wahoo, Nebr., and came to Omaha and saw the BB game between Nebraska and Kansas (schools for the deaf) at the Nebr. School and had a big dinner after the game at the Rose Lodge just outside Omaha on Dodge, — all these in one day, Saturday, Dec. 11th. They are both employed at the Nebraska Farmer Co., publishers of largest weekly paper for the farmers. To them we extend congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy marriage. Jim is quite a hustler, being active in the affairs of the Lincoln Silent Club, and he was chairman of the Nebr. Association of the Deaf Convention at Lincoln in 1949.

Briefs about people we know in Omaha and over the state: Jimmy Spatz, Garrett Nelson and Delbert Meyer are now occupying an apartment over Buda's Bar and are busy refurnishing and decorating the apartment; Ileen Hahle of Omaha is wearing a big diamond ring, engaged to Bob Dunnington of Sioux City, Iowa, a 1952 graduate of the Iowa School; Mrs. Eileen Poch is



Some seven years ago there was a heart-warming story about how a certain deaf man, after 50 years of courtship, finally won his lady love. It was released through the newspaper syndicates and widely published. Last July the man died at the ripe old age of 91, and the cut here shows his widow, Mrs. Alberta Littleton McClure, who has gone to make her home at the California Home for Aged Deaf, Los Angeles. Mrs. McClure was 89 on November 12, and is now the oldest guest at the home; 14 days her junior is Warren Walling. Mrs. McClure is lively and strong, despite her years. She can't be shooed out of the kitchen, and she even works in the backyard. The California Home is in the background.

on the OCD NTWS staff as an assistant and her job is to ferret out all news about the younger deaf of Omaha; the cat of the Leonard Egglestones was caught chumming with a skunk in the yard and poor Leonard is trying to save the cat from the designing clutches of that slinky and wily stinker, and we will let you know more later; the Ben Delehoys are proud grandparents of a baby boy born to their oldest daughter, Jeyneise at Topeka, Kansas on Nov. 10th, and they made a bee-line trip by bus to Topeka to see the new baby; Lillian Francis of CB is the secretary of the CB Silent Club and the interest she shows in the club is something to see and admire; the apartment of Mrs. Gertrude Nelson and her son, Garrett was damaged by fire and smoke early one morning last month, due to defective wiring, and they lost most of their personal effects; Art Nelson is the first Omaha deaf to have a 1955 model car, having traded his 1950 Chev for a Ford; who is next?

KANSAS . . .

Recently a dry cleaning shop's employees were startled by a loud noise when a spring of a hot head snapped off and the hothead fell. If Mrs. Clarence Johnson had not heard the noise, the head would have crushed her arm. In the nick

of time she withdrew her arm as it struck. The x-ray picture revealed no broken bones but the arm displayed black bruises during the following week.

Dorie Heil is now not lost without a sport this winter since the baseball season closed. She bowls in a church league each Saturday evening.

Mrs. Floyd Ellinger, Mrs. Dean Vanatta, Mrs. Bill Lichtenberger and Mrs. Thomas hosted a stork shower for Mrs. Victor Hottle the afternoon of November 13 at the I.O.O.F. hall. Mrs. Francis Srack, who is not a mother, turned out to be the best milliner when her baby bonnet made of paper was judged the most ideal. Seventeen ladies gave Mrs. Hottle nice useful things. They were served coffee and cookies.

We were sorry to hear that the second baby girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Merritt of Olathe lived only one hour some time in October. Mrs. Merritt is the former Alberta Stack of Olathe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. Albert Stack, and is also granddaughter of Mrs. Florence Stack.

The newly acquired home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson of Wichita was properly warmed by about thirty-one well wishers Nov. 14. The couple were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Koehn before the party began. They were surely surprised when it was realized. Mrs. Koehn, assisted by Misses Mina Munz and Pauline Conwell, and Mrs. Beene Watkins, served coffee and cookies.

There are only four Wichita couples now that do not have TV sets. The latest owners are Mr. and Mrs. Donald Funke, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rose and the Wilmer Thomases.

Two former Kansas girls, Mrs. Bob Fisher of Des Moines, nee Betty Weber, Iowa and Mrs. Milan Butler, nee Dorothy Weber, of Dallas, Texas, are now mothers of baby girls born on October 25 and September 21, respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Weber of Kansas City, Kansas, are the proud grandparents of the babies. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Earnhardt of Kansas City, Mo., also are

the new parents of a boy born on September 22. Congratulations.

Ralph Kelley of Wichita enjoyed his two weeks vacation beginning Oct. 27 by taking a 3,200 mile roundtrip to Doyle, Tennessee, to visit his girl friend.

Randall Charles Conradt is the name of the new grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Conradt of Wichita. Young Randall was born to their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Conradt on Nov. 4th. He weighed 7½ pounds.

Paul Verner of Topeka but recently of Wichita sustained a serious skull fracture in a car accident not long ago. His parents brought him back to Topeka to be put in a hospital there.

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Another Kansas boy, Bobby Cruce, of Salina, lost control of his car when he hit a soft shoulder of the road. He received some bruises but a week or so later he was taken to a hospital and is in a coma. The car was demolished.

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Thompson and Betty Brant of Winfield were Sunday callers on Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Dibble of Wichita. Miss Brant is out of the hospital and is now doing housework for a Winfield woman.

John Sailer of Olathe must be the first Kansan to possess a '55 car. It is a salmon-colored Chevy sedan.

Beene Watkins of Wichita jokingly says he was arrested by a policeman for playing yo-yo without a string. He was surprised to learn it was unlawful in Kansas. Believe him?

Ivan Fisher of Olathe had a hard bout with whooping cough the past few weeks and is about over with it now. Imagine a man of about 70 having the disease.

Mrs. Della Williams, who came back from Seattle, Washington, last spring is now Mrs. J. M. Blackwell. They are residing in a new house at Wichita. Her maiden name was Flood.

Bill Detrich of Great Bend has a new wife who was a last spring high school graduate of that city school. They are residing in Great Bend.

George Ruby of Wichita finally decided to stay in California during the winter months. He got the family farm at Burdette worked in and the crops planted before leaving for California.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Diedrich of Blackwell, who were Christmas shopping at Wichita, met Mr. and Mrs. Beene Watkins at a store one Friday afternoon and remained for a few hours' visit at their house.

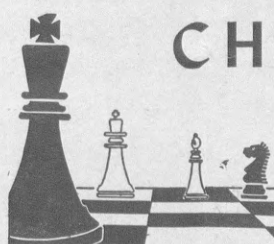
Mr. and Mrs. Laurence McGlynn of Hutchinson are happy over the birth of their second son, Jeffrey Scott, who weighed 8 pounds, on December 2. Congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nelson of Menlo, Iowa, spent December 4, 5 and 6 with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Denton of Wichita. The Nelsons were on their two weeks' vacation and went thru North Carolina and along thru the south to Wichita.

Olast Jaruald of Buffalo, Okla., was a Wichita Club of the Deaf caller Dec. 11 at which took place a gift exchange for the members.

You know some people eat breakfast in bed, Beene Watkins stays in bed and shaves with his Schlick. Try it, men.

Did you have a nice Christmas? Was Santa good to you? May the new year bring you happiness and peace.



CHECKMATE!

By "Loco" Ladner



Tournament Results

The Second Tournament will soon come to an end with Robert Kannapell expected to add another laurel to his overburdened head. He has only to draw his remaining game to win the tournament.

The Third Tournament is by far the strongest of the three with virtually every first class player entered. The exceptions are Leandro Maldonado, James Garrick, and Jacques Mendelsohn. Standings are Chauvenet, 7½-½; Ladner, 4-0; Leitson, 3-0; Font, 2-0; Stevenson, 1-0; Shipley, 4½-5½; Rosenkjar, 3-4; Campi, 3-7; Skinner, 1-5; Mantz, 2-9; Kannapell, 0-0.

In the B Tournament, De Yarmon defeated Gemar for the first result.

Here is the final game in the five-game match of the finals of the First National Championship of the Deaf. By winning it, Bob Kannapell became the first National Chess Champion of the Deaf:

Nimzo-Indian

White: Bob Kannapell — Black: Emil Ladner			
1. P-Q4	N-KB3	28. P-N5	PxP
2. P-QB4	P-K3	29. RxP	R/3-K2
3. N-QB3	B-N5	30. R/1-N1	N-Q1
4. Q-B2	P-Q4	31. N-K2	R-K4
5. PxP	QxP	32. P-N4	K-N2
6. N-B3	P-B4	33. N-N3	R/4-K3
7. B-Q2	BxN	34. R-Q1	R/3-K2
8. BxB	PxP	35. R/5-Q5	N-B3
9. NxP	P-K4	36. R-Q7	K-B1
10. N-B3	N-B3	37. RxR	RxR
11. P-K3	O-O	38. R-Q5	P-B3
12. B-K2	P-KR3	39. R-QB5	N-K4
13. P-KR3	R-K1	40. K-N2	N-B2
14. O-O	P-R3	41. R-Q5	R-K3
15. KR-Q1	Q-B4	42. R-Q4	N-Q3
16. P-R3	P-K5(a)	43. R-N4	P-QN4(d)
17. P-QN4	Q-B4	44. N-K2	P-N4
18. N-R2	Q-KN4	45. N-B3	R-K4(e)
19. BxN(b)	QxB	46. R-Q4	K-K2
20. B-N4	Q-N4	47. N-Q5ch	K-K3
21. BxB	QRxB	48. NxP	KxN
22. Q-N3	R-B2	49. RxP ch	K-N2
23. N-B1	R/2-K2	50. R-QN6	K-R2
24. N-N3	Q-N3	51. K-N3	K-N2
25. QR-B1	Q-K3	52. P-KR4	PxP
26. QxQ(c)	RxQ	53. KxP	K-R2
27. R-Q5	P-KN3	54. K-N3	Resigns (f)

Notes by the Chess Editor:

- (a) The first mistake. As it turned out, White concentrated on this weak pawn to win the game, although it took a long time.
- (b) This was necessary to prevent 19...BxP.
- (c) Black was playing for a draw, which was not good strategy.
- (d) Apparently loses as it made things easier for White.
- (e) Forced moves from now on.
- (f) The threat was 55. K-B4 to win another pawn. Then the end game is easily won for White.

Moral: Don't play for draws unless you lose anyway.

Incidentally, the White pieces won in every game of these 5 games. What does this prove?

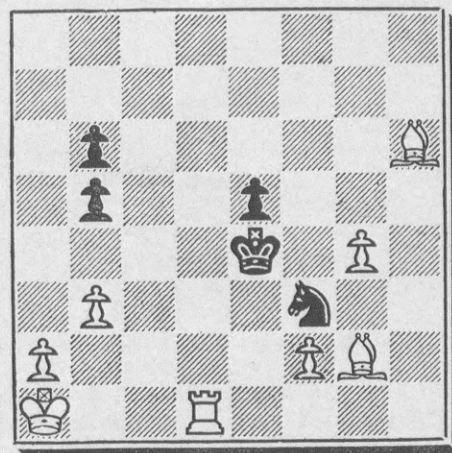
Berkeley Chess Club

The 1954 championship was captured by Arthur Willis, a hearing member of the Berkeley Chess Club for the Deaf. The perennial champion, Leandro Maldonado, was upset in his final game and took second place. Willis has 14½-1½; Maldonado, 14-2; Ladner, 11½-4½; Floyd McDowell, 8½-7½; B. B. Burnes, 8-8. Since there are 12 players, the 1955 tournament will consist of two divisions, A and B, with six players in each.

Toughest Problem?

We have had the following problem in our scrapbook for a good many years. Off and on we attempted to solve it but always met with failure. That is until recently, when we resolved to try again. Something clicked and the problem was cracked at last! The publication, from which we copied it, had it headlined "The World's Most Difficult Mate." So we feel that our chess nuts should have their chance of cracking this tough nut. We shall publish names of solvers in the next issue, if they send in solutions.

BLACK



WHITE

White to play and mate in four moves

May the New Year bring our readers and chess players prosperity and success in whatever line of endeavor in which they are engaged. We have enjoyed the many contacts we have made during the past year and look forward to new horizons.

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MARIANO PLAYS LAST COLLEGE GAME IN REFRIGERATOR BOWL

(Editor's Note: There have been great teams like UCLA and Ohio State . . . spectacular individual performances by Cal's Paul Larson, Navy's George Welch, Rice's Dickie Mogle and others. There was the superb coaching feat by Bowden Wyatt who took Arkansas' "doormat" team to the Southwest Conference title and a Cotton Bowl berth. But for the success story of the 1954 football season it's mighty hard to match the performance of a valiant little deaf player who forged a brilliant record at little-known Kent State University of Ohio. Lou Mariano, the star in this tale, has been mentioned here in the December 1951 edition. We are indebted to Bob Morrison of the Athletic Publicity Department of Kent State University for supplying us additional information on sensational Lou Mariano.)

THE FINAL COLLEGE FOOTBALL performance of Canton's fabulous Lou Mariano was presented in the seventh annual Refrigerator Bowl at Evansville, Indiana, on December 5, 1954, when Kent State met the University of Delaware.

The game not only marked Kent's first post-season game, but rang down the curtain on the ex-Canton McKinley ace who goes right on proving that actions and touchdowns speak louder than words.

Coach Trevor Rees' Golden Flashes gave their record books a complete overhauling the past fall as they established an 8-1 record during the regular season.

No one doubts that Mariano, solidly established with past Kent football

greats, played the lead role in the Flashes' overpowering grid offensive.

Rolling from their hard-hitting split-T, the Flashes made a shambles of previous rushing, total offense and scoring records and finished second only to powerful Miami (Ohio) University in Mid-American Conference standings.

The previous scoring record, 250 points, set by the 1953 squad, has been upped to 324 points. And Kent tied its best previous won-lost record, 8-1, set in 1940, with a 20-13 victory over Western Michigan last November 20. Following is the 1954 season record of Kent State University, which has an enrollment of some 6,000 students:

KSU	OPP.
26—Waynesburg (Pa.) College	0
58—University of Akron	18
65—Western Reserve University	0
52—Baldwin-Wallace College	7
7—Ohio University	14
41—Marshall (W. Va.) College	20
28—Bowling Green State University	25
27—John Carroll University	14
20—Western Michigan University	13

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Nationally, Kent ranks second among major and small colleges in rushing and total offense. Little Emporia College of Kansas is the nation-wide pace-setter in both departments.

Mariano led the Mid-American Conference in touchdowns and yards gained.

The rugged little fullback, five-foot-seven and 170 pounds, picked up 1,037 yards the recent season, almost a third of the rushing total. He scored 86 points on 14 touchdowns and two running conversions.

He set a Mid-American Conference



Lou Mariano, star Kent State University fullback whose actions spoke louder than words could during the past two seasons. He is no behemoth. His forte is terrific speed. The recent season he ranked third in number of yards rushed throughout the nation in big and little colleges with 1,037 yards for a 10.9 average. In two seasons as a regular he scored 25 touchdowns and 12 extra points. He played his last college football game in the Refrigerator Bowl and now ranks as one of Kent's all-time greats.

record for the longest play from scrimmage when he went 99 yards for a TD against Western Reserve.

Against Waynesburg, Akron and Bowling Green, he scored on jaunts of 91, 85 and 83 yards.

His season records are even more amazing, considering that he played only six complete games, being forced to the bench by injuries during the Ohio U and Marshall contests and a five-day administrative restriction which covered the win over John Carroll.

Since he became a regular in 1953, the 23-year-old Mariano has gone 1,853 yards (more than a mile) and scored 152 points. He's averaged 9.5 yards-per-carry for two seasons and a blistering 10.9 per-try the recent season.

A second-team conference choice in 1953, he's a pick for the first-team berth this year. Coach Trevor Rees says he's one of the best "natural" players he's seen.

A deaf boy, Mariano gets the play by reading the quarterback's lips in the

1954 DEAF ATHLETES OF YEAR

Now we close the books on the fabulous feats of Henry Brenner and Lou Mariano. Both have wound up their brilliant careers on college grid-iron. You can look around from now until the end of time and you won't find a man more deserving of "Deaf Athlete of the Year" honors than Brenner and Mariano, so both get our votes as "Co-Deaf Athletes of the Year" for 1954.

huddle, then waits until the ball is snapped before heading the line of scrimmage. "Then," adds Rees, "Like as not, he's gone."

He was gone for good after the Refrigerator Bowl game, but certainly not forgotten. It will be a long time before the Flashes have another galloper like the little deaf boy who went to college and came home ranked among the school's all-time greats . . .

Lou Mariano's teammates are fond of the speedy Italian, and so are his classroom instructors. After Kent's 58-18 victory over Akron, to which Mariano contributed four touchdowns, his fellow players gave him the ball as a souvenir.

"Very cooperative and cheerful," his speech teacher described him. To get his C-plus average, the handicapped Mariano has to work much harder than his classmates. He is an industrial arts major.

One of the reasons Mariano chose to enroll at Kent in 1951 was the school's

speech and therapy clinic. With the breath-control method, he has learned to say a few simple phrases.

In addition to football, Mariano competes on the Kent State swimming team. He is a diver. When he was at Canton McKinley, he not only lettered in football and swimming, but also in track.

P.S.—Kent State lost to Delaware 19-7 in the Refrigerator Bowl at Evansville, Indiana, December 5. Kent State led at halftime 7 to 6, but Jim Zaiser, a junior halfback from New Jersey, splashed through the mud for two fourth-quarter touchdowns to enable Delaware to win. Little Lou performed brilliantly, grinding out the bulk of the yardage for the Kent Golden Flashes, but he failed to add to his 14-touchdown total and Kent lost the game.

Lou Mariano is a very remarkable young man. For our part, his record kind of dulls the polish on the other high-powered collegiate gridiron doings of the year.



Art Kruger

The subject of this short sketch, Art Kruger, depicted above, methinks, needs introduction here for the simple reason that he's written yards, skeins, reams, tomes, about others and precious little about himself. Now, may I present to you a valuable member of the Los Angeles AAAD '55 Committee, who along with the others of the committee will be here and there and everywhere come this April 6, 7, 8 and 9. While he, like Jack Horner, has his thumb in every juicy pie, his main responsibility on the committee will be trophies (one of which, believe it or not, will be six feet tall). His other responsibility will be the dishing out of information of which, next to the maestro, Tom W. Elliott, himself, Art's noggin holds the greatest amount — as pertains to this coming tournament.

Art Kruger's greatest claim to fame is the founding and organizing of this great AAAD and its annual basketball tryst, which has lasted to this day and shows no signs of ever going out of business. It's an annual habit, and as long as we have youth, athletically-inclined, we perform will have athletic contests, locally and regionally and nationally.

Art Kruger's history in a nutshell is: he was born in Philadelphia, March 6, 1911; educated at the Mt. Airy School; graduated from Gallaudet in 1933. He's worked in New York City, Akron, and now in Los Angeles.

Art, small in stature (like Napoleon), never could compete with the behemoths in the field of brawn and skill. But he's more than made up for it in his inextinguishable ardor for athletics through his writing. He first reported games at the Mt. Airy school, then rose to great heights in the Silent Broadcaster, and when the Broadcaster folded, he transferred his affections to THE SILENT WORKER where he has stayed to this day. — TOIVO LINDHOLM

WHERE THE BANDS ARE SILENT

By Bob Shafer

It was within one little sentence. Tucked down near the bottom of last Friday's article on small college football leaders. It concerned individual rushing leaders.

It revealed merely that Lou Mariano of Kent State University was third. He had 377 yards to his credit on 20 rushes. That is a rather amazing average of 18 yards per carry. But the real story is far more startling.

Maybe it will be told if and when Mariano takes over the lead in the ball-packing division. Although the new statistics haven't yet come over the wires, he probably did himself little harm in his latest game. Kent State walloped Western Reserve, 52-0.

A little bit of fame couldn't come to a nicer guy. If it's the one I remember. And I doubt there are two of them around that territory.

The name, Louis Mariano, was popular for quite a while in the scholastic football realm of his home state, which is Ohio. For three years running he earned recognition as one of the state's leading prep halfbacks.

He did his playing in one of the nation's strongest schoolboy circuits. For Canton McKinley High School, McKinley once was a gridiron power. But, in the later years, it has fallen behind its arch rival, nationally famous Massillon, the school from which Paul Brown vaulted into the coaching limelight.

. . . The Hollow Ring of Glory

Louis Mariano was something unique in football annals. Around there at least. He was a star halfback who couldn't even hear the cadence count of the signal caller. Or even chant the numbers himself. For he was deaf.

At first, they had to work out some elaborate methods of transmitting signals to him. Such things as so many tugs at the tail of his jersey. Later, I heard that he had become quite adept at lip-reading.

No person, even a vanquished game rival, could help but admire that young man. Star players all generate respect. But his was something especial. A fellow who turned in such consistent performance and operating under such a handicap.

There was no band music; no cheers ringing in his ears. But, outwardly at least, he didn't shown concern. He was one of the few honest football players unaffected by the glory aspects of a glory-producing game.

Whether medical science has done anything for him, I do not know. I've kind of lost track of him over the last few years. But it is the same Lou Mariano, I'm certain.

That 18-yard average, for one thing. Louis, of necessity, employed actions rather than words to do his speaking. And in his manner of talking, he always was — and apparently still is — football's answer to Daniel Webster.

— Pasadena (Calif.) Independent, October 13, 1954

Next Stop: LOS ANGELES . . . AAAD Basketball Tournament

By Toivo Lindholm

All aboard for the GREATEST deaf spectacle of all time — bar none. Los Angeles is ready with the backing of all Angelenos from the mayor, sports bigwigs, newspapers, down to tots, pickaninnys and hi-jos-mios. The L.A. deafdom is ready financially to shoot the works. The stage is set, the gym will seat 2500, the grand ballroom will take in 1800. The LACD Queen with her princesses and entourage will welcome you and see that you enjoy every minute of your time here. The nation's most beautiful deaf girls will converge in Los Angeles to vie for the title of Miss Deaf America and all the honors and the prizes this entails.

Even now, all the 100 clubs in the AAAD are fielding the best basketball teams they can organize, and are fighting for regional championships. Out of those regions will come only seven teams — seven best in deafdom — to continue their historic fight with the eighth team — the host Club — until one team emerges champion.

AAAD (American Athletic Association of the Deaf) is a robust ten-year-old organization attending its 11th tournament this coming spring, April 6, 7, 8, and 9. It has been to all ma-

jor cities in the country — to the West Coast once before. It's expected that a complete history of the AAAD will be included in the 100-page (maybe more) program book of this tournament.

The L.A. Sport-O-Gram, published by Tom W. Elliott and edited by George W. Elliott (no relation), boosting the tournament, carried seven reasons why you should not miss the tournament: (1) This will be a record-smashing event, surpassing even the No. 1 affair in deaf history, the 1947 Frat convention; (2) This will be the farthest, in point of total mileage, visiting teams will have traveled to a deaf-sponsored sports event; (3) The cream of deaf beauties will vie for the title of Miss Deaf America; (4) The trophies contested for are unparalleled in deaf athletic contests . . . first place trophy is five feet high at a regular cost of \$300, especially made to order; (5) Ambassador Hotel, world famous home of movie stars and visiting dignitaries, will be headquarters and will arrange a professional Aquatic Show for us following our own beauty contest; (6) Paul Hoy Helms, nephew of the famous William (Dummy) Hoy, Cincinnati's great outfielder of by-gone days, will per-

sonally present his trophies to the most outstanding players and five all-Tournament stars; (7) Sports editors and columnists of L.A. dailies, other sports figures, movie stars and other notable figures will be there to greet you.

If you're a red-blooded sports-lover, and if you want to see a very important part of this great country of ours, you'll come to Los Angeles this coming April 6, 7, 8 and 9. To paraphrase: Until you've seen Los Angeles, you haven't lived.

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Sure, Los Angeles is large enough to contain you all, or California will take you for that matter. We have enough water and victuals to feed you all. But the huge room at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, can hold only 1800 in a Grand Ball with all the glittering fixings. So be sure you're not left in the lurch. The tickets are numbered.

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Univ. of Rhode Island Misses Iron Man Henry Brenner

"Hard to Replace," says Kopp After Star's Finale

By Bill Burlingame

(Editor's Note: Below is an article which appeared in a daily newspaper, The Woonsocket Call, dated Wednesday, November 17, 1954. This no doubt will be of even more interest to you than the article published in last month's edition of THE SILENT WORKER.)

THE NEWSPAPER CLIPPING had just two words beneath a picture of a good-looking, serious-visaged young man. The poignant sentence read, "he's remarkable!" No better description of Woonsocket's amazing Henry Brenner, University of Rhode Island's great football guard, who completed his career Saturday (Nov. 13, 1954), could possibly be given.

All the colorful adjectives in the book wouldn't properly tab this rugged athlete, whose scholastic attainments, in the face of what might have been an insurmountable handicap to many, almost equal his feats on the sports field. The same big guy who administered bone-rattling tackles in his years on the grid-iron wouldn't harm a fly in every-day life.

Henry Brenner is a truly remarkable gent. His last day of college football must have given him at least a tiny emotional twinge, but he showed no signs of it. Instead, he gave up practically the whole day, except for the time he spent battering Connecticut's UConns in their traditional "homecoming" visit to the URI campus at Kingston, to two representatives of this newspaper, so that this story might be prepared and the necessary pictures taken.

Brenner's only indication of emotion came on the steps of the Rhody gymnasium, just before he entered to dress for the game.

"I feel nervous," he said, simply. "I'm always nervous before a game, but the minute the action starts, it goes away completely." If Brenner actually were nervous during the tense struggle, the UConns will agree that on him it looked good.

Brenner's story is a saga of sheer grit and determination. He was aided no end by the courage and confidence of his mother and dad. Stricken ill with spinal meningitis at the age of two, he lay "stiff as a board" for three months, to use his father's description, hovering thinly between life and death.

The crisis came and passed. Somehow, the doctors and the child's parents, without the modern sulfa drugs and antibiotics, had managed to keep young Henry alive.

With this good news, however, came the staggering realization the youngster's speech and hearing would be forever impaired. Henry's voice was stilled. His hearing was reduced to less than 25 per cent of normal, sufficient to hear only very loud noises, such as the explosion of a firecracker or a particularly loud and shrill whistle.

This sobering news would have floored almost any parents, but not Mr. and Mrs. Morris I. Brenner, the plucky mother and dad. Carefully they laid their plans for the boy's future, and as Henry grew older, he was able to cooperate more and more.

He attended Rhode Island School for the Deaf, where he was taught, in a slow, painful process, to make the sounds which we call talking. He learned to read lips, augmenting the slight degree of hearing he still possessed. In addition, he was required to learn the reading, writing and arithmetic all other boys his age were studying.

If the younger Brenner faltered, or even felt sorry for himself, his parents were quick to change his viewpoint. But this rarely happened. Henry had the courage he needed to go on, inherited from his determined parents.

When he reached his teens, he transferred to Woonsocket High, and there the sport career developed. He was a mainstay of Coach Gus Savaria's grid teams of '49 and '50, a rough and tough but nonetheless capable basket player, and a track star who set several sprint records at WHS which still stand.

High school days went fleeting by, and Henry was ready for college. Several institutions were bidding for the services of this rugged lineman, who was as much of an iron man in his secondary school career as he later proved to be in college.

The decision as to what school he wanted to attend was left to Henry, and he chose Rhode Island after meeting and becoming very fond of Rhody Coach Hal Kopp. Brenner entered URI in September of '51, but Kopp wasn't around to greet him. Hal had gone into the Army.

Kopp was back for Brenner's sophomore year, however, and he quickly installed the ex-Woonsocket High star as a guard in his defensive lineup. Brenner seemed to play his best against Brown and Connecticut, Rhody's principal rivals, and Henry's proudest memories are two victories over Brown and three over the UConns during his college career. That just never happened before.

With the return to "one-way" football in 1953, there was some doubt, quickly dispelled, over Henry's football future. There was a question whether the local youth could master his assignments and catch the signals in the huddle. Henry provided a quick answer. After just one experiment in spring practice, Kopp said, "Henry is my starting guard." Old 64 has been at that position almost all the time since. This season he was one of the co-captains.

Throughout Henry's college career, URI had two royal rooters extraordinary, Mr. and Mrs. Brenner. Dad missed one game in three years, both at home and away. Mom saw them all. And both promised they would be back to watch Rhody next year, even though Henry will not be playing.

Brenner was aided no end in college by his roommate, Marty Rosenthal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rosenthal, also local residents. Everybody else tried, in some way, to help, too.

Perhaps Hal Kopp expressed it best. Pointing to Henry, he said on Saturday, November 13, 1954: "He's the greatest! Often I've thought of little things I'd like to do for him, but the days, and weeks, and months have slipped by, and now it's almost too late to be of service. But boy how we'll miss him in that line!" Even Rhody's genial president Dr. Carl R. Woodward, made

visited the dressing room the game to shake Henry's hand.

Last April, Brenner was presented a solid silver plaque by Boston Sports Lodge, B'nai B'rith, for "high principle and achievement in sports." He was honored with other notables of the sports world at a dinner in the Hub attended by 750 persons.

In November of last year (1953), he was honored by his Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity brothers at a dinner where Dr. Woodward cited him for his sports contributions and for his scholastic record at the university. Later, he was named "Rhode Island's Jewish athlete of the year."

Henry is studying business administration, and expects, confidently, to take his place in the business world after graduation.

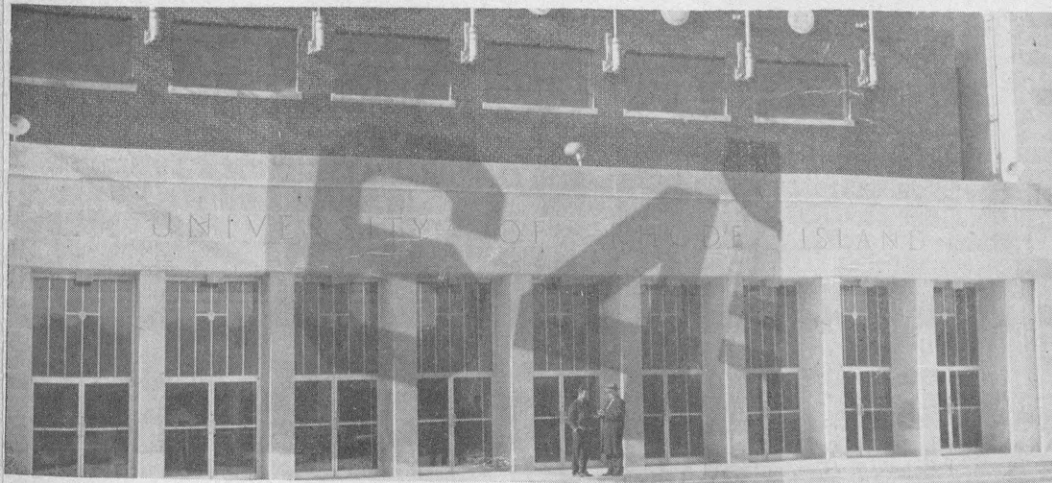
We enjoyed our day with Henry Brenner. We found him to be everything that has been written up to now and, more, he proved himself a gentleman.

In this book, as in Hal Kopp's, "He's the greatest!"

HENRY BRENNER . . . *A Picture Story*

On this page THE SILENT WORKER presents a few pictures of Henry Brenner in his final appearance as a R.I. gridder. These pictures were received through the courtesy of Bill Burlingame of the *Woonsocket Call*. They were taken by *Call* staff photographer Merrett P. Palmer. In the upper right hand corner Henry is dressing for action, pulling on his cleats for the last time. Below, left, trainer Dick Cole applies

protective tape to Brenner's wrists as star Pat Abbruzzi awaits his turn. Right, a tackle by Brenner (No. 64) to stop Connecticut's star back. Rhode Island won 20 to 0. At bottom, left, is seen an indelible stamp on URI grid history. Brenner's 64 casts a shadow on the new gymnasium, in front of which Henry is talking with sports writer Burlingame. Right, Henry with his No. 1 fans, his mother and father.



Northeastern calls Brenner "Toughest"

University of Rhode Island's Henry Brenner and Pat Abbruzzi were picked by the Northeastern footballers on their annual all-opponents team.

Northeastern, a university of some 12,000 students located in Boston, Mass., cited Brenner as the "toughest lineman to play against," and he received 25 of the 30 votes from participating squad members.

Brenner generally is regarded as too small for pro football, being 175

pounds and 5-9. He received a letter from the Philadelphia Eagles inquiring if he would be interested in the pro game, a step taken by all professional clubs prior to the annual draft meeting. This protects the teams from drafting gridgers with no intention of continuing their football careers.

Henry's teammate, Abbruzzi, is going to the Baltimore Colts at the completion of his college education.

Below is the 1954 football record of the University of Rhode Island, an institution of some 2,000 students:

URI	Opp.
13—Northeastern University	7
14—University of Maine	7
7—University of New Hampshire	33
0—Brown University	35
52—University of Massachusetts	6
46—Hofstra College (N.Y.)	14
13—Springfield College (Mass.)	0
20—University of Connecticut	0
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Conventions

The year 1955 will see three great national conventions of interest to the world of the deaf, an equally great national basketball tournament, and numerous conventions of state associations of the deaf.

The Eleventh Annual Tournament of the American Athletic Association of the Deaf is to be held in Los Angeles April 6-9. Indications are that a large crowd of sports fans from everywhere will be present.

During the last week of June the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf will meet in Hartford, Connecticut. Teachers and school officials from all over the nation will be found at this convention. They have an opportunity this year to kill two birds with one stone, for the Diamond Jubilee Convention of the National Association of the

Deaf meets the following week in Cincinnati. Indications are that most school people going to Hartford are making plans to stop afterwards in Cincinnati, July 2 to 9.

The National Fraternal Society of the Deaf has announced that its quadrennial convention will be held in Buffalo, N. Y., beginning August 16. Besides official delegates, a large crowd is expected at this convention, complete details of which have not yet been announced.

State conventions will be listed in THE SILENT WORKER when dates and locations are known.

INSIDE GREATER CINCINNATI

By Hilbert C. Duning

Publicity Chairman, 1955 N.A.D. Convention Local Committee

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• Food - Drinks - Entertainment

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Watch for more details on the Convention in the following issues.

It is repeated that you make early reservations.

The Answer Box

This department is conducted by Laura and Felix Kowalewski, 155 Sylvia Dr., Pleasant Hill, California.

Question for This Month:

Who was the most unforgettable deaf person you have known?

It was the fall of 1932; I was in the seventh grade at the Minnesota School for the Deaf, my first year in the advanced department. The first term had barely entered October when I was called to the principal's office. "Now



what have I done?" I wondered all the way down the hall to his office, and standing, ill at ease, before him, I waited for him to look up. He was a short fatherly looking man with white hair

and an equally white mustache. Though, at the time, his face wore a stern look, I noted behind the spectacles, the twinkle in his blue eyes, and relaxed a little. On his desk was my school folder to which he referred, saying he had been going over my school record and he was not satisfied with my grades. I was completely taken aback and perhaps a little angry. Why wasn't he satisfied? Hadn't I, just the past spring, won a five-dollar gold piece for high scholastic attainment? Wasn't I an "A" student? I was happy with my grades. Why wasn't he?

It was then and there that I had the first of many little sessions with the late Dr. James L. Smith, one of the most unforgettable deaf persons I have known. Let me mention something of this first session with the kindly man — in itself a little lecture I have remembered to this day. It had to do with the pitfalls of being satisfied.

"My little girl," he said, "don't ever be satisfied! If you have accomplished something of which you are proud, fine! Give yourself a pat on the back, but don't be satisfied to sit back on your laurels. There lies the danger — you may become self-centered and conceited, or bored eventually with your lot and in turn become a bore to your friends, or else you may fall into a rut and stay there. The thing to do is to set new goals and strive to attain them. It is the work, the effort you put into achieving these new goals that will give you the most satisfaction and happiness in life."

There was more, but that was the gist of our first talk. And so it was that Dr. James L. Smith, principal, teacher, friend, father-confessor, put me through the seventh to twelfth grades in four years instead of six — but not without much encouragement (and some pa-

tient prodding during my more flighty days.)

Dr. Smith was a brilliant man but he understood the deaf; he could talk to any of them on their own level and make himself quite clear. He was one of those rare persons who have in them simple, old-fashioned goodness. He commanded the respect of all who knew him, and won the confidence and lasting friendship of the many students who went to him with their little problems. No matter how busy he was, and indeed he was a busy man, he would take the time to listen to us. He could make our little troubles seem as important to him as they were to us, and because he could see them from a different angle, he was able to abolish them altogether or else minimize them to the extent that they no longer mattered.

Every school for the deaf should have people like Dr. Smith — someone the children can turn to as to a father. Away from home, in a large institution where those in charge tend to be so impersonal, it is not easy to find someone to go to with confidence; someone who is willing to "lend an ear" and offer comfort or advice, or just to share a little joke or a bit of happy news from home.

LAURA KOWALEWSKI

One of the most unforgettable deaf persons I have known was the late Edwin Allan Hodgson, one-time editor of the now defunct Deaf-Mutes' Journal. "Pop" Hodgson was a small man (as I am now), barely over five feet tall,



with a large red nose which he sought to minimize by a bushy white mustache, red Santa Claus cheeks, and the kindest, twinkling blue eyes you ever saw.

When I entered the Printing Department at the old "Fanwood" school — the N.Y.I.D. — on Riverside Drive in New York, I was one of the youngest and smallest in its history. "Pop" took an immediate fancy to me, and he and Anthony Capelle, his assistant (and another wonderful person, too), saw to it that a higher than usual platform box was made especially for me to stand on to reach the upper ease of the type stands. They also saw to it that the older boys did not overdo their hazing — type lice, apron strings, pied type, etc. — but I got more

than my share, nevertheless.

I have always been an avid reader since I lost my hearing at the age of six, and "Pop" always saw to it that I got "picked" copy to set — especially his own interesting editorials and essays, rather than the usual columns of news of the adult deaf.

On cold winter days, after "Pop" had retired to a cozy, well-heated little office off the coat room, he would call for me to help him "read proofs," and then, while I snuggled up close to the steam radiator, he would spend an hour relating his adventures and his travels in Europe, Africa, the Middle East. I remember the pictures he showed me of himself astride a camel near the pyramids of Egypt. We would read through his Baedeker together, his blue eyes watching me and sensing my hesitation over some new word or odd phrase — instantly he would explain, often at great length or wandering off into side-paths.

In the spring of my last year with him, the paper was expanding, and our new instructor, William Renner, needed my time on the linotype and it was not so simple now for "Pop" Hodgson to send for me to keep him company. However, as I look back, I can remember that it was in those last few months especially, that "Pop" started me off on my love for poetry. Perhaps he had some premonition, for he chose to entertain me (and himself) with readings from the quatrains of the Rubaiyat. When I returned to school in September it was to a suddenly cold, drab and businesslike shop — my introduction to the emptiness of "once departed, may return no more." "Pop" Hodgson had passed away that summer.

— FELIX KOWALEWSKI

This month Laura and Felix Kowalewski make their initial appearance as conductors of The Answer Box. Felix, as all regular readers know, is no newcomer to the pages of THE SILENT WORKER. He has contributed columns, articles, poetry, and news items, and he has helped with cartoons. His wife, Laura, is tackling her first job on the SW staff. Besides helping Felix with this column, she takes care of their three children while her husband pounds a linotype on an Oakland newspaper.

Readers are invited to send in comments and answers to questions. The question for the March issue (deadline Feb. 15) will be: As a deaf person, what is your pet peeve on TV programs, aside from commercials?

For April (deadline March 15): What was the most humorous incident that has happened to you in connection with your deafness?

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